[Mr. R. Krishna Pillai.]

Discussion of the Report of the Kallar Committee by the Legislative Council.

76. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to give an assurance that they will not take any action on the Kallar Committee's report before the Council has had an opportunity of discussing the report and expressing its opinion thereon?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is not possible to make any statement at this stage.

Kallar Scheme.

77. MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): (i) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the report submitted by the Committee appointed to re-examine the Kallar Hydro-Electric Scheme under the presidency of Dr. Kunjan Pillai?

(ii) Will the Government be pleased to afford an opportunity to this Council to discuss the above report and consider the terms which Government propose to offer or have already offered to Messrs. Alfred Dickinson & Co., in the light of this report?

(iii) Has any agreement been arrived at or offer made by or to the Madras Government regarding the utilisation of the Kallar water proposed to be diverted to the Madura District in connection with the Kallar Scheme and regarding the rate at which payment will be made by that Government therefor? If so, will the Government be pleased to furnish the particulars thereof?

(iv) In view of the intense popular feeling in the matter, will the Government be pleased to allow this Council an opportunity of discussing the entire question of the Kallar Scheme before entering into final agreement with the Madras Government or any Company?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (i) to (iv) The member is referred to the answer to question No. 75.

MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state *why* it is not possible to make any statement on this subject? The answer referred to, *viz.*, that to question No. 75 is that it is not possible to make any statement at this stage.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because the matter is under correspondence between the Travancore Government and the Madras Government.

MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Neyyttinkara*): Has any reply been received in regard to the rate to be paid for the water.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I am not prepared to say.

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PRESIDENT: I may tell you the reply has not been received.

MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Neyyttinkara*): May I know whether the Kallar Committee's report is ready to be published?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I said that no statement could be made at this stage with regard to it. That is all that I can say.

MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Neyyttinkara*): May I know why the report cannot be placed on the table of the Council?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered that question. The whole thing is at present confidential.

MR. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Neyyttinkara*): I am referring only to the report submitted by the Committee constituted under the presidency of Dr. Kunjan Pillai. I want to know why that report cannot be placed on the table.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because the whole thing is confidential.

Abolition of the Chennitala Market.

78. MR. S. KRISHNA AIYAR (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Mavelikara Municipality has recommended the discontinuance of the Chennitala market;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that the said market serves the population of four adjacent *karas* and that the proposed discontinuance would cause real hardship to them; and

(*c*) what action has been taken by the Government in the matter?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) There is no market known by the name of Chennitala market and the one at Chennitala is called Karanma Market. If the member's interpellation is in reference to the Karanma Market, the answer to the question is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The Government have no information.

(*c*) The proposal of the Municipal Council has been referred to the Land Revenue Commissioner for enquiry and report.

Re-establishment of the Magistrate's Court at Arukutty.

79. MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikam* cum *Ettumanur*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received any petition from the inhabitants of Arukutty and the adjoining places praying for the re-establishment of the Magistrate's Court at Arukutty?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to enquire into this matter?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

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